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SUBJECT: NEW PASSES FOR USMLM

1. SOVIETS ARE ATTEMPTING TO INTRODUCE NEW PASSES FOR USMLM WHICH DESIGNATE BEARERS AS BEING AUTHORIZED TO TRAVEL " IN AND THROUGH GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC." PRESENT PASSES AUTHORIZE TRAVEL " IN THE AREA OF STATIONING OF THE GROUP OF SOVIET FORCES GERMANY." SERB HAS INFORMED USMLM THAT NEW PASSES ARE TO BE PICKED UP THIS AFTERNOON (MAY 16). EXISTING MLM PASSES WERE SCHEDULED TO EXPIRE DECEMBER 31,, 1972 BUT SOVIETS HAVE BEEN DELAYING ISSUANCE OF REPLACEMENTS. WE HAVE NOT YET BEEN ABLE TO CONFIRM

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BUT WE BELIEVE BRITISH AND FRENCH LIAISON MISSIONS

HAVE BEEN SIMILARLY APPROACHED BY SERB.

2. IN OUR VIEW SUCH LANGUAGE IS UNACCEPTABLE AND WOULD BE EVEN AFTER THE ESTABLISHMENT OF RELATIONS WITH THE GDR SINCE ACTIVITIES OF ALLIED MLMS ARE BASED ON AGREEMENT WITH CINCSFG TO WHOM THEY ARE ACCREDITED AND NOT ON ANY ARRANGEMENT WITH GDR. PASSES OF SOVIET MISSIONS IN WEST GERMANY ARE VALID FOR THE AREAS OF OPERATIONS OF THE RESPECTIVE ALLIED MILITARY COMMANDS. WE UNDERSTAND SOVIETS MADE UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT TO INTRODUCE SIMILAR LANGUAGE ON MLM PASSES IN THE EARLY SIXTIES.

3. USCOB CONCURS. KLEIN

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